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INCORPORATION MOVING UP

Petition Will Be Circulated Next Week--Cash Comming In

Attorneys Kirkbride & Gordon, of San Mateo, who are handling the incorporation matters from the legal end have prepared the petition and have it ready for signatures. The circulation of the petition will be started early next week.

Kirkbride & Gordon are considered the best attorneys in the state in all matters pertaining to municipal law and this should lend confidence to the public who are interested in having the incorporation go through without a hitch. Kirkbride & Gordon have been called upon by such cities as Los Angeles and San Jose when they have a complicated legal case to handle.

Maps have been in the course of preparation for some time and are now practically finished and will accompany the petition when it has been signed by the required number of voters and is presented to the board of supervisors which it is hoped can be done at the first meeting in October.

A registration deputy, Mrs. Della Moore, will be at the incorporation headquarters every afternoon to attend to the registration of voters and those who are not registered are urged to call at the office in the Bank Building on the highway and register. Those who find it impossible to call at the headquarters can phone 3258 and the deputy will call upon and register them.

It is necessary that all who wish to vote on this question be registered and the public is urged to see to it that all are registered. It will only take a few minutes of any one's time to attend to this important matter and today it the time to do it.

The subscription list to cover the cost of the incorporations proceedings has been opened and the money is coming in very satisfactorily at the present time. Those who are desirous of helping the cause along in a financial way can call at the headquarters and leave the money or they can call of send the money to the Menlo Park Branch of the American Trust Company addressed "American Trust Company Bank, Menlo Park, for Incorporation Expense Fund" and the money will be taken

care of and will reach the use for which it was intended.

The Committee in charge report that it is much encouraged by the fine moral and financial support that is accorded them at every turn.

A few questions have been received this week and are answered in an other column and more will be welcomed.

It seems to be the consensus of opinion that if Menlo Park is ever to amount to anything that she must incorporate and do it at once.

The improvements that would be possible with incorporation would increase the value of property in the town a great deal at practically little or no extra expense. Property would be more saleable, the town would enjoy more and better police protection than it has ever had and the highways would be made safe for the children going to and from the local school and this expense would be taken care of to a large extent by the fines, etc attached to the arrests.

The merchants of the town would be protected from outside solicitors and hawkers and those that did come in to solicit would contribute a nice share of the money necessary to carry on the city government.

Menlo Park could be made one of the most beautiful cities in the state of California if she were incorporated and had some kind of uniform laws regulating the buildings that are erected within her limits. Uniform streets and set-back lines will go a long way toward bringing an increase in population. Building restrictions in regard to the business blocks in the center of town will do a lot toward reducing the fire hazard, reducing insurance rates and making the town safer and more attractive to the outsider.

Popular opinion seems to be growing each day in favor of the move to incorporate. Those who were on the fence are becoming as enthusiastic as it is possible to become and the future of the town looks very prosperous. Let's make it unanimous in favor of Menlo Park, the city.

MILITARY ACADEMY OPENED THIS WEEK FOR TERM

Between 40 and 50 students were registered at the Pacific Coast Military Academy here when it opened for the fall term on Tuesday of this week. The school has been renovated during the summer and two new class rooms added, it was announced by Major R. W. Park, headmaster. Saptain Edward G. Neff has been added to the faculty as commandant in charge of military training, thus bringing the number of teachers up to six.

The Pacific Coast Military Academy is one of the finest schools of its kind and is doing much toward the upbuilding of this district.

The benefit concert and tea given Sunday afternoon at the Daniel Jackling home at Woodside for the little chapel of Our Lady of the Wayside was financially and socially a success. Among those who took part in the program were Nathan Abas, violinist; Julian Rodetzky and Romain Verney, viola; Michel Penha, cellist; Harry Robertson and Harry Cowles, singers; and Roy Folger, announcer and speechmaker.

Mrs. A. G. C. Hahn and daughter Miss Louise Hahn, left last week for their cottage at Del Monte, where they will spend a short vacation.

CORYELL RESIDENCE SCENE OF \$10,000 FIRE SUNDAY

Damage estimated at over \$10,000 was done to the J. B. Coryell residence on the county road, here, by fire on Sunday afternoon last. The blaze spread from a grass fire on an adjoining lot to the vines on the Coryell house, racing at once to the roof.

The rapidity with which the Menlo Park Fire Department responded to the alarm prevented the complete destruction of the house. The damage was caused by the fire on the roof and between the walls of the building as well as by the water used by the firemen.

The fire broke out just as Miss Sibyl Coryell was leaving for San Rafael, where she is to attend the Dominican College. The entire family was at home when the fire broke out and assisted the members of the fire department in removing valuable articles from the blazing building.

LOS LOMITAS P. T. A. WILL GIVE CARD PARTY ON 23d

The Los Lomitas Parent Teacher Association is planning another of its enjoyable card parties for the 23d of this month. The party will take place in the school house at Los Lomitas and the score cards will be 25 cents.

A good time is always enjoyed by all who attend the functions given by the members of the Los Lomitas Parent Teacher Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph V. Whitting have returned to their home on Hyd street in San Francisco after a week end visit with Judge and Mrs. Charles A. Shurtliff at their home here.

Judge and Mrs. Shurtliff were the hosts at an enjoyable dinner party on Saturday evening.

Walter H. Reeves, 36, and Annabell Bosomworth, 24 of Menlo Park secured a marriage license at San Jose this week.

Miss Marie Louise Wilcox entertained at a bridge tea party recently at her home in Atherton. The affair was in honor of Mrs. George D. Armstrong, who has come here from Washington, D. C.

The firemen's dance held in the Franciscan Hall last Saturday night was a big success both socially and financially.

A big dance will be held in the Franciscan Hall every Saturday night from now on. The enterprise is in charge of local people and the best of music has been secured. Perfect order will be kept at the big hall and all who like to dance will have a fine time if they attend.

F. J. Furnivall is going to hold a big clearance sale of furniture at his store in the Bank Building.

"Tidy" Philosopher

Many of the world's greatest philosophers are known to have had very little concern for their personal appearance. One notable exception, according to a biography written about 1688 and recently reprinted, was Spinoza who, says the author, "was extremely tidy." Whenever he left his house there was, as well, "something about his clothes which usually distinguishes a gentleman from a pedant."

A present-day critic observes: "He was a man of the greatest reticence, but with nothing to conceal; a man of intensely private life, but wholly transparent."

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Harris and Mrs. J. E. Harris and F. N. Harris of San Jose, returned Monday evening from a trip to Eureka. The trip was made by motor car and was greatly enjoyed by the party. Mr. Harris says that if he want to see California go North over the Redwood Highway.

Jos. Fallons Are Injured In Accident

Mrs. Joseph Fallon of Menlo Park was seriously injured when an automobile in which she was riding with her family turned over on the Yosemite highway last Saturday. Mrs. Fallon is in a hospital at Merced. Fallon, and his son George, together with their chauffeur, escaped with slight bruises and abrasions.

The car turned over on a slippery curve in the road. Mr. and Mrs. Fallon and their son were thrown through the top of the sedan. All three were stunned and unconscious. The chauffeur, Manuel Escoto, was pinned under the steering wheel but managed to crawl out to aid the others.

Mrs. Fallon did not regain consciousness until after she had been operated on at the Merced hospital. She had a deep cut in the forehead and the physicians thought at first that her skull was fractured.

Fallon is a prominent San Francisco attorney and the son, George, is a member of Menlo Park Troop No. 107, Boy Scouts. He is at present the only merit badge Scout in the local troop.

BOY SCOUTS WILL HOLD AN IMPORTANT MEETING MONDAY NIGHT

Members of the local Boy Scout Troop will hold an important meeting next Monday night in their club room on Oak Grove avenue, at which time plans for the coming fall and winter months will be made.

Field Executive Barrer will make a visit to the local Troop soon and plans for his reception will also be made. The boys all delight to have Mr. Barrer in their meetings, for he always has so many good stories to tell in connection with the work of Scouting.

Several new members are expected at this meeting and a full attendance is desired. The time of meeting is 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Evan Williams have returned to their home here after a camping and hunting trip in Northern California.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR WEEK

Next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the Pastor will preach upon "The Permanency of Religion". In the evening he will preach a "Book Sermon."

October will be "Rally Month" in the Sunday School. As a part of the Rally campaign there will be a special program by the Sunday School on Sunday, October 2. A committee has been appointed to prepare a pageant and other interesting features for the program.

On next Wednesday evening, September 14th, the Ladies Auxiliary will serve a supper to the public at the popular prices of 40 cents for adults and 25 cents to children. Supper from six to eight. A program will be a feature of the entertainment beginning at 7:30.

The program is as follows: Orchestra, two selections.

Community singing led by Mr. Bone.

Boys' chorus. Reading, "The Sioux Chief's Daughter", Joaquin Miller, by Mrs. Snover.

Piano duet, Miss Helen Aabel and Miss Jennie Jacobsen.

Solo, Mrs. Bearce.

Saxophone and Clarinet Duet, George Holmes and Ewing Bone.

Solo, "The Perfect Day," Carris Jacobs Bond, by Mrs. J. E. Cooper.

INVENTOR GIVEN PARTY BY LOCAL PEOPLE

Colonel Robert Lee Southern, inventor of a new gasoline motor, and a party of stock holders who will in the near future start the manufacture of his engine were given a party by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kramer at their cabin in the Los Altos hills.

Colonel Southern has been working on an eight cylinder model of the new motor and now has it about ready for market. He will now begin work on a sixteen cylinder engine. It is claimed that the new motor has no vibration and that it is exceptionally light in weight. It is the intention of the inventor to have the engine used for automobiles, motor boats and air craft.

Mr. and Mrs. Bliss Herrman and their children, have returned to their San Francisco home, after a summer spent at Woodside.

Incorporation Questions And Answers

This column will be used each week for the purpose of enlightening the public on the advantages of incorporation and its use is free to all. All questions will be answered by those best qualified to give information:

Question:—To what extent will our taxes be raised by incorporation?

Answer:—The maximum that taxes can be raised will be 50 cents on the \$120 assessed valuation, but in practically all cases of newly incorporated towns or cities this amount is rarely ever necessary for some considerable time.

Question:—How much will the assessed value be increased?

Answer:—In the opinion of those best qualified to judge, the board of trustees elected would have jurisdiction over any increased assessment, but no board of trustees would consider for a moment any increase in the assessment roll until values have increased to such a point that a revision by an expert is necessary.

Question:—Please inform me who are going to be the trustees?

Answer:—The voters of Menlo Park only, are qualified to answer this question and it can only be done at the polls.

THREE AUTOS IN HIGHWAY SMASH

No one was injured in a three-car smash at the intersection of Selby Lane and the state highway in Atherton at 10 o'clock last Friday night according to a report made by Traffic officer Stanley Wood of Atherton.

An automobile owned by E. C. Manley of Redwood City, which was being driven by another, crashed into an automobile belonging to Charles B. Harshman of Palo Alto.

The unidentified driver continued on his way and crashed into a second car containing two San Francisco police officers who were driving north on the highway. The driver of the first car made his getaway before the arrival of the officers.

Phone 3258

Incorporation Headquarters

On the Highway in Bank Building

All Information

Regarding Incorporation Can Be Obtained Here.

Residents and Taxpayers are cordially invited to call for any information desired and it will be Gladly and Cheerfully Given

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Plenty of Ignorance

The uneducated have to pass through life with crippled powers; they have not a fair chance of contending in that struggle for existence upon which all have to embark who are obliged to earn their own livelihood. Few, if any, industrial operations are so entirely mechanical that a man will perform them equally well whether his mental powers have been developed or have been permitted to remain dormant. Ignorance takes away a considerable part of the power of a man to acquire the means of living.—Henry Fawcett.

Reply Not Recorded

Mildred, age five, having been born in a day far removed from the dark ages, had never seen a man with a beard. One day an uncle who possessed a crop of rather short whiskers came to visit them. After the first salutations had been given, Mildred stared at her newly found kinsman with intense interest.

Evidently arriving at no satisfactory conclusion, she asked: "What kind of fur is that on your face—fox or rabbit?"

Start of Honeymoon

The honeymoon journey is stated to have had its birth in the reign of George II of England, declares Gas Logic. It became, declares an authority on wedding customs, "a recognized bridal institution in the aristocratic world in the earlier days of George III's reign. Many years passed before modest gentlemen in the middle rank of life presumed to imitate their betters in respect to this convenient custom."

John L.'s Signature

R. F. Dibble in his biography of John L. Sullivan records that once a dainty little miss asked the famous pugilist to write her a few autographs so that she could sell them at a church fair.

"Oh, what're you giving me?" said John L. in a graciously tragic way. "I ain't no good at writing, but I'll have my manager make as many of my—what d'you call 'em, as you want."

The damsel told him that this would hardly do. So pens, ink and paper were ordered and after many laborious efforts in which he spoiled more than a dozen pens and ruined a quantity of stationery, Sullivan finally succeeded in scratching down about twenty badly blotched but fairly legible signatures.

"I always like to do what I can for religion," he assured her as grasping her hand and most of her forearm between his ink-stained fingers he bade her a courteous good-by.

Happiness in Work

There are social and economic maladjustments, and many of them lead to failures. Failure is unhappiness. But no man fails if he likes the job. Ford is right. Life's real thrill is in the job. That is what we mean by the "pursuit of happiness" in America; it was the quest of the men who built this wonderful American government for us, and it still is the thing which lures us on to larger achievements. Jobs are full of thrills if we wish it so; but we get these thrills only when we fit the job, when we like it, and give it the best we have in us! when we put something of ourselves into the thing we do.—Mobile Register.

Perfectly Plain

A ten-year-old girl had moved from Indianapolis to a farm in southern Indiana where the language of the Hoosier schoolmaster sometimes still exists in reality. Many of the school children's expressions were like Greek to her and called for translation by her schoolmates or mother.

One day she inquired of a schoolmate why Imogene was out of school. "She's got a risin' on her head," was the reply.

"What's that?" "Why, it a raisin'," was the explanatory answer.

Repeating the conversation to her mother she learned that Imogene had a boil or abscess on her head.—Indianapolis News.

It Does

In a lesson in parsing a sentence, the word "courting" came to a young miss of fourteen to parse. She commenced hesitatingly, but got on well enough until she had to tell what it agreed with. Here she stopped short. But as the teacher said, "Very well; what does courting agree with?" Ellen blushed and held down her head.

"Ellen, don't you know what courting agrees with?" "Ye-ye—yes, ma'am." "Well, Ellen, why don't you parse that word? What does it agree with?" Blushing still more and stammering, Ellen at last replied, "It agrees with all the girls, ma'am."

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ORDER SETTING FOR HEARING PETITION TO HAVE THE STANDING OF MENLO PARK RECORDER, AS A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION, ASCERTAINED AND ESTABLISHED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that L. E. Harris and Olive A. Harris, owners and publishers of Menlo Park Recorder, and said L. E. Harris, as editor, of said Menlo Park Recorder, have filed in the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of San Mateo, their verified petition, which is published in full herewith and next following this notice, to have the standing of said Menlo Park Recorder as a newspaper of general circulation, ascertained and established, and that said petition will be heard before the above entitled court, and said petitioners will on Thursday the 29th day of September, 1927, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, and at the courtroom of the Superior Court at the County Courthouse, at Redwood City, in the County of San Mateo, State of California, or as soon thereafter as petitioners may be heard, apply to the above named Superior Court for an order setting said petition for hearing.

That the following is a copy of said petition.

In The Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of San Mateo.

In the Matter of the Application of L. E. HARRIS and OLIVE A. HARRIS, to have the standing of Menlo Park Recorder, as a newspaper of general circulation, ascertained and established.

PETITION

To the Honorable, the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of San Mateo, and to Hon. Geo. H. Buck, Judge thereof:

The petition of L. E. Harris and Olive A. Harris respectfully shows to the court and alleges:

That they are the owners and publishers and the said L. E. Harris is the editor of a certain newspaper commonly known and designated as Menlo Park Recorder; that said newspaper is now and for more than one year last past has been established, printed, published and circulated at and in the Town of Menlo Park, in the County of San Mateo, State of California.

That said paper was established, issued, published and circulated at and in said town on or about the 6th day of October, 1923, and continuously ever since said date has been continuously regularly printed, published and circulated at and in said town in said county, weekly on Friday of each week, under said name of Menlo Park Recorder;

That the said Menlo Park Recorder is now and for more than one year last past has been such a newspaper established, printed, published and circulated for the dissemination of local news and intelligence of a general character, and during all of said time has had and now has a bona-fide list of paying subscribers, and is continuing and intends to continue so to be established, printed, published, issued and circulated at regular intervals as aforesaid, to wit, weekly on Friday of each week; that said newspaper is not now nor has it ever been devoted to the interests or published for the entertainment or instruction of a or any particular class, profession, trade, calling, race and — or denomination, or for any number of such classes, races, professions, callings, and — or denominations.

That said newspaper has complied with all the requirements and provisions of Section 4460 of the Political Code of the State of California, and is a newspaper of general circulation.

WHEREFORE, your petitioners pray that a time and place be fixed for hearing this application, and that notice thereof be given as required by law, and in conformity with the order of this court, and that upon the hearing of this petition and the proofs to be adduced, the above entitled court by its order, judgment and decree ascertain and establish the standing of said Menlo Park Recorder as a newspaper of general circulation, and for such other and further relief as may be proper in the premises.

L. E. HARRIS,
OLIVE A. HARRIS,
Petitioners.

Kirkbride & Gordon, Attorneys
for said Petitioners.
STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

County of San Mateo

L. E. Harris, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That he is one of the petitioners named in the foregoing petition; that he has read said petition and knows the contents thereof; that the same is true of his own knowledge except as to those matters therein stated on information or belief and that as to those matters he believes it to be true.

(Seal) L. E. HARRIS,
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of September, 1927.
CHARLES C. SIMONS,
Notary Public in and for the County of San Mateo, State of California.

(Endorsed) Filed Sept 2, 1927.
ELIZABETH M. KNEESE,
Clerk.

By E. L. Falvey, Deputy Clerk:
Dated: At Menlo Park, California,
San Mateo County, California, this
9th day of September, 1927.

L. E. HARRIS,
OLIVE A. HARRIS,
Petitioners.

Kirkbride & Gordon, Attorneys
for Petitioners.
First publication in Menlo Park
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Everlasting Fires in Region of Desolation

Few regions are more remarkable than those near the Caspian sea. The waters of the sea once stretched far north and joined the Arctic ocean, but now, after countless ages, they have receded to their present limits. Vast stretches of waste and barren land are left where the waters once extended—deserts of reddish clay, with occasional marshes.

This is the region known as the "Land of Everlasting Fire." After sunset, leaping up on all sides from rents in the interminable plain, rise ghostly, dancing tongues of flame, untarnished by smoke, casting a lurid light all around.

Dotted about lie squat temples, from whose pinnacles rise columns of fierce flame, the dread gods incarnate of the fire-worshippers. The columns are said to have burnt continuously since the birth of Confucius.

The everlasting fires are not the disembodied souls of dead men and demons, as the natives believe, but are due to torrents of gas which stream from underground regions, and are ignited spontaneously.

It is possible to dig a small hole and then, by applying a live coal, cause it to burst into flames. If a tube of paper is stuck about two inches in the ground, and the top of it touched with a live coal, a flame will issue from it, but if the edges of the paper have been smeared with clay it will not take fire.

Human Blood Stream Has Tides Like Sea

The only time most people think anything about the ebb and flow of tides is when they are at the seashore or on the river. Few people know they have their own daily tides in the blood stream pumped from the heart.

That this is so has been shown by Dr. F. B. Shaw, who declares that the high tide of the white corpuscles of the blood usually comes just after midnight and again in the afternoon. These tides, he says, may be related to the hours of eating and sleeping or to the changing positions of sun and earth.

Another doctor has discovered that anger makes the blood sweeter. After making several people angry, he drew off samples of blood, and in all cases found more sugar in the blood after the fit of emotion than before.

His Impulse

The following true incident was told to a friend of the Companion not long ago by a woman of the Quaker faith.

A Quaker was once passing a Quaker meetinghouse in the country when suddenly he felt an impulse to go in and preach, although there was no audience. He acted according to his impulse, preached a short sermon and then left the building.

Some years later, while in London, he was accosted by a man who said to him, "Sir, you saved my life."

Astonished at such a remark, he said, "What do you mean? I do not know you."

"Well," said the man, "I was passing a certain meetinghouse one day and, hearing a voice, I listened outside the window." And then he added in a low voice, "I was an ex-convict and in despair, but your words saved me."—Youth's Companion.

Great Wall of China

Few people realize what an almost perfect condition prevails along a large part of the great wall of China. The bricks of the parapet are as firm as ever, and their edges have stood the severe climate of north China with scarcely a break. The paving along the top of the wall is so smooth that one may ride over it with a bicycle, and the great granite blocks with which it is faced are as smooth and as closely fitted as when put in place over 2,000 years ago. The entire length of this wall is 1,400 miles; it is 22 feet high and 20 feet in thickness. At intervals of 100 yards or so there are towers some 40 feet in height.

Considerate

The artist had agreed to paint the portrait of a beautiful young girl in her very becoming lavender evening gown.

The girl's mother decided, as she thought the matter over at home, that she would prefer to have her daughter wear a yellow dress.

A few days later the portrait painter received a message over the telephone from the young girl: "Mother thinks I'd better wear my yellow dress and hopes you haven't bought the paint yet!"—Vancouver Province.

One Year's Moose Bag

It has been estimated that about 10,000 moose are killed in Canada each year. This seems a heavy slaughter, but far from there being any danger of extermination from this toll taken by the moose hunter, authorities in different sections are of the opinion that a killing of twice that number could be made each year, and the natural increase would definitely offset any danger of the extinction of the moose.

Not to Be Consolated

Little Katherine was crying, not for anything in particular, but for everything in general. Her mother, trying to divert her attention, said:

"Oh, look at that pretty horse tied out there."

But Katherine took it as one more grievance in life, saying: "I want that horse to be a mule."

Golden State

News of Interest to All

Warren R. Porter, 66 years of age, former Lieutenant-Governor of California, and for many years president of the Pajaro Valley National Bank in Watsonville, died at his home at Watsonville last week.

United States senators and representatives in Congress and public organizations of San Francisco will conduct a determined drive to have this city named as the "home port" of the Pacific fleet if a resolution passed by the Board of Supervisors last week bears fruit.

Cedarville, Modoc County, boasts that Emma Ennis, 10, is the youngest high school freshman in California. She will enroll in the Surprise Valley Union High School next month.

A seven-year-old girl established a mountain-climbing record at Red Bluff when she achieved the pinnacle of Mount Lassen, starting the rise from Manzanilla Lake, and climbing 4,000 feet in five and one-half hours.

An army of millions of crickets, which seriously interfered with the main intersection's traffic officer and kept ladies gingerly side-stepping on the walks, invaded Brawley last week. The screechers gathered under arc lights inches deep while store proprietors swept them out of entrances by the bucketful and burned them in the street. No damage to vegetation was reported.

A miniature re-enacting of the mania of gold rush days occurred on the ranch of Jeff Fruit on Amsterdam road, Merced, when a workman found gold dust sticking to a drill used in boring a well on the ranch when he lifted it to be sharpened. Now Fruit is debating the question, "Shall it be well or gold mine?" with all indications pointing to the latter. The well site is on the north bank of the Merced river.

September will be a month of conventions in Santa Cruz. The Builders' Exchange will be held on September 3, 4 and 5; the Native Sons of the Golden West Admission Day celebration, September 9, 10 and 11; the Pacific Coast Gas Association, September 12 to 17, and the State Retail Growers, September 25 to 28.

Good road conditions are attracting more motorists to Yosemite for this season of the year from other States than ever before. Such is the opinion of Park Superintendent W. B. Lewis. "During the month of July," stated Superintendent Lewis, "1,544 automobiles from forty-six States, the District of Columbia, Canada, British Columbia, Hawaii and Panama entered the Yosemite National Park."

George Messer, 32, San Francisco mechanic, was recently officially recognized by the State government as the tallest man in California. He stands 6 feet 9 1/2 inches in his stocking feet and weighs 220 pounds. Directors of the California State Fair closed the entry list in the exposition contest to select the State's altitude champion and gave Messer first place. Second honors went to E. E. Dickey of Hollywood, whose height is 6 feet 8 1/2 inches. Messer is a native son and was born at Tracy, San Joaquin County.

Oil production for the San Joaquin Valley for July totaled 4,887,445 barrels, according to figures compiled by the American Petroleum Institute's Pacific Coast office. This production came from 6,159 wells now on the producing list. The daily averages for the month was 158,659 barrels as against 160,441 barrels for the month of June. This is a decrease of 1,782 barrels daily, indicating that the attempt of the companies to hold down production to relieve the storage conditions is bearing fruit.

Dr. N. P. Barbour, of Stockton, major in the medical corps of the California National Guard and commanding officer of the medical detachment of the 143rd Field Artillery, has been ordered to Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania, for a six-weeks' course of intensive training at the army medical field service school. Dr. Barbour is the only California officer honored with such a call. California is apportioned one medical officer a year at the school.

Jail sentences imposed on members of California National Guard companies for breaches of military or civil regulations as the result of peace-time trials before summary court are binding and must be served, just as if they were meted out by a civil court to a citizen. This is the holding of Attorney General Webb in an opinion to District Attorney Norby of Yuba County. Norby questioned such a sentence, believing it in violation of the State constitution.

With Assemblyman Frank L. Coombs of Napa as "unofficial chaperon," two special trains carrying 800 Legionnaires left California last week for the second doughboy invasion of Paris, the American Legion convention.

Expenditures on new roads in California this year, it is estimated, will exceed the high total of any of the eleven States in Western America, according to an analysis of estimated revenues for road purposes tabulated for Martin Madsen, president of the Madsen Iron Works, San Francisco. At the end of the fiscal year, in June, 1928, it has been reckoned that \$180,000,000 will have been spent on new highways and the maintenance of existing arteries by the States of California, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, New Mexico, Idaho, Arizona, Colorado, Montana, Utah and Wyoming.

Substantiating her claim to being the fastest-growing metropolis in the world, the population of Los Angeles, which at the time of the 1920 Federal census stood at 576,673, is now 1,242,700.

More than 1,200 delegates and guests are expected to attend the eighth annual convention of the State Builders Exchange which will be held at Santa Cruz this week. The arrangements for the convention and putting being made by a committee of the San Francisco Builders Exchange.

Two hundred and twenty city blocks of developed suburban property will be added to Bakersfield area soon, if annexation plans which are being completed now are indorsed by qualified voters during an annexation election to be held in the district during the early part of November.

A complete report of property valuation embracing every parcel of land in the city of San Francisco, and totaling \$891,746,210 was placed on file last week in the office of Assessor Russel L. Wolden. The report is the result of a year's survey conducted by James G. Stafford, and cost approximately \$67,000. It shows that a total of 177,000 pieces of property were checked and valued for taxation purposes.

Whether or not the soil, water and climate of Kern County is adapted to production of shrub rubber soon may be determined, as the result of tests that have been conducted during the last four years at the United States Experimental Farm at Shafter, according to Wolford B. Camp, agronomist, in charge, and if the experiments prove successful, thousands of acres of heretofore useless safe-brush lands in Kern County can be reclaimed to highly productive purposes, and an industry scarcely second in its importance to petroleum may be established.

California's habit of shattering her own records will again be stressed when total ice cream sales in this State for 1927 are finally tabulated, it was predicted by D. M. Dorman, president of California Dairies, Inc., of Los Angeles. Predictions made early in the current year set an increase of 10 per cent in State consumption compared with 1926, when more than 10,000,000 gallons, retailing at nearly \$20,000,000, were required to satisfy the Sunshine State's 4,500,000 residents.

Caliente Canyon district, thirty-five miles east of Bakersfield, now is witnessing the resumption of an important scale of gold and silver mining operations. The Zenda Company has started to operate its 200-ton mill under the direction of Frank Bewley, and it is believed there is sufficient tonnage of low-grade ore to keep it running indefinitely. The company has 900 acres in the Amalie district, fifteen miles northeast of Caliente, and also is doing extensive development work on the Calico mine in the Panamint area, east of Mojave.

Information has been given out at Mariposa, Mariposa county, that a ten-stamp mill is to be built on the Vanderbilt gold mining claim in the Darrah district. Development work has been in progress on this claim for the past two years and is reported that a shute of fine ore has been encountered.

That he will introduce his bill in the December session of Congress, providing for the deedling of 1,200 acres of forest lands in the Calaveras Big Trees to the State of California, was expressed in Stockton last week by Congressman Harry L. Englebright of the First Congressional District of California. The bill was introduced and passed in the last session but due to a last-minute rush, did not make its way through the Senate. The bill was indorsed by the forestry service, State Park Association and the Calaveras Grove Association which was organized last year to have the Calaveras Big Trees set aside as a public park. Another bill he will introduce provides for the removal of income tax on dividends derived from gold corporations.

Franklin Guest Smith of Redlands was last week nominated by United States Senator Samuel Shortridge to the Secretary of War as his principal selection from California to the United States Military Academy class entering West Point in July, 1928. His selection must be approved by the Secretary of War before the candidate is accepted at the academy.

San Francisco's new traffic ordinance, recommended by Dr. Miller McClintock after a detailed survey under auspices of the San Francisco Traffic Survey Committee, was unanimously passed last week by the Board of Supervisors. It will become effective, for the future guidance of motorists and pedestrians, as soon as the remaining formalities of printing and final passage are completed—a matter of a few weeks.

Among the St. Helena exhibits at the Napa County Fair, held last week, there is a four-legged chicken that was raised by S. Barberi of St. Helena. The chicken is about eight months old, and forms a freak exhibit at the fair.

With the appropriation of a \$25,000 purse by the town of Capitola for the winners of a twenty-two mile swim from Capitola-by-the-Sea to Monterey, one of the biggest water marathons in history is expected. The event has been scheduled for next New Year's Day. Rules for the swim are now being organized at Capitola and it is expected that entry blanks will be available in another month. The contest will be open to both men and women and officials there predict that some of the world's best swimmers will come to Capitola to compete in the New Year's marathon.

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"Mr. Blank, as you know, I go about a great deal, and I may confess to you I am an observer of the fair sex, and in the course of my travels I see many handsome women, but I must say Mrs. Blank is about the handsomest woman I've ever met. I should think you'd be afraid to bring other men into your home."

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A sensational discovery was made recently, not on the Egyptian side, where the sand almost succeeded in overwhelming the mighty Sphinx, but on the western side of the desert. The body of some ancient queen of the Sahara was found beneath the sand. On her arms were found eighteen bracelets, nine of gold and nine of silver; five necklaces of jewels were around her neck, and on her head was a diadem of gold studded with jewels.

There was much exquisitely carved furniture in the tomb, and near by were piles of jewels—emeralds, rubies, onyx, and so on. On the opposite side was found a superb statue of a woman carved in stone. The date of this tomb is placed at least a thousand years before the Christian era.

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Many Women Workers in the Middle Ages

The Middle ages, too, had their "feminism," and the way women's problems were solved was not very much different from today's.

In the Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth centuries, just as at present, it was necessary to take care of unmarried women, and this could not always be done by means of convents, although a greater number of girls went in convents then than nowadays. The crafts excluded women often on principle but in practice women worked in almost all crafts during the Middle ages, as simple workers as well as at the head of enterprises.

The professions in which women excelled were, of course, those which were related to the traditional feminine work, as weaving, cord manufacture and the textile crafts in general. Many women became leading seamstresses. Feminine tailors were far more frequent during the Middle ages than now. The gold industry always had a group of feminine and a group of masculine workers. Women often were barbers, and feminine musicians played in most of the wine inns. Women were teachers not only in their convent schools but also in general schools. Above all, there was never a lack of women physicians.

New Zealand's Fjords of Surpassing Beauty

The marvelous fjordland of New Zealand is described by those who have seen it as the most wonderful in existence, surpassing in beauty the famous fjord country of Scandinavia.

Milford sound, which offers this wonderful fjord scenery, is situated about 1,000 miles from the Victorian coast, off the southwestern coast of New Zealand. As one enters he finds himself surrounded by the perpendicular sides of enormously high mountains, the tops of which are covered with snow. And in the sound country of Alaska, there are great terminals almost on the level of the sea; but what differentiates these fjords used only by foot, is a walk of 36 miles over a track so precipitous that only 10 miles can be covered in a day. During this tramp across, a 5,000-foot mountain must be scaled and descended. While a few venturesome spirits surmount these obstacles each year, they are indeed few.

Bunkered!

Two men were discussing golf courses in general and a little nine-hole course in particular. Eventually the conversation turned to a certain 18-hole course.

"I always think," said one, "that the little nine-hole course is far more difficult than the 18-hole course."

"Well, one would expect it to be so," exclaimed a friend who did not play golf.

"Why?" asked the two men, simultaneously.

"It is obviously easier to get a little ball into one of the holes when there are 18. It would be twice as hard when there only nine."

The Difference

An inspector paid a surprise visit to a village school. The teacher, who was of decidedly corpulent build, proceeded to question the children as follows:

"Now, children, tell me in what way I resemble a clock."

The response soon came. "Please, miss, you have a face." "You have hands," and so on.

Then came the question: "Tell me some ways in which I do not resemble a clock."

There was a long pause; then piped a small voice: "Please, miss, you have no spring."

Richest Man of 300 B. C.

Interesting information about Croesus, famous rich man of ancient times, is reported by the Detroit News. The gift he presented to Delphi, 600 years before Christ, would be valued at about \$300,000,000 in modern currency. It included a pyramid surmounted by a lion, both made of precious metals; two bowls of solid gold large enough to hold 5,400 gallons each, besides a present of \$13 to every man in the city. And those were the days before there were oil wells or steel trusts and modern methods of getting rich quicker.

Married in the Cemetery

An unusual wedding occurred in a neighboring state. The bridegroom was an undertaker, whose father had been an undertaker before him. The ceremony took place at midnight in the cemetery before the father's grave. Asked why he was married in this way, the bridegroom said: "Well, I've been to the cemetery so often on sad occasions that I felt I should like to come here just once for some happy event." . . . Couples afraid of being too happy might try this.—Cap per's Weekly.

Golden Rule of Life

The Golden Rule, in various forms, is found in the literature of several ancient peoples. It was taught by the Chinese philosopher, Confucius, more than five centuries before the Man of Galilee started on his ministry. In the Analects of Confucius appears this passage: "Tsze-kung asked, saying: Is there one word which may serve as a rule of practice for all one's life? The Master said, Is not Reciprocity such a word? What you do not want done to yourself, do not do to others."—Pathfinder Magazine.

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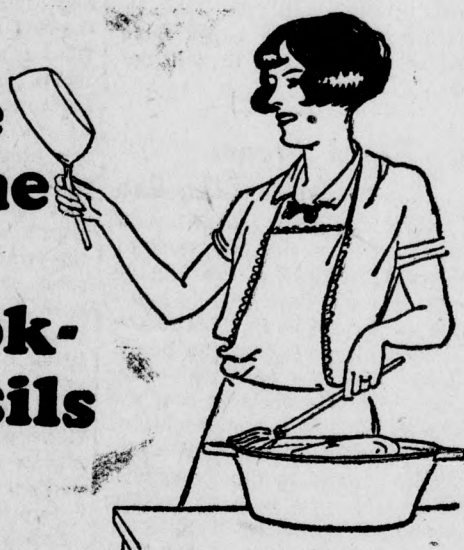
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